

CHRISTMAS
Students Head Home
December 18

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Attend Band Concert
December 16

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SENIORS William Keogh, Gene Hoffman, and Jerome Kosinski work hard on their theses in the College Library. The dissertations are a requirement for graduation. The group, with three others, will graduate in January.

Six Seniors Undergoing Mental Calisthenics In Thesis Writing

While most of the college students have been trekking out to the Fieldhouse for daily compulsory physical exercises, six seniors, who will graduate at the end of this semester, have found ample opportunities for mental exercises (compulsory, too) in the confines of their rooms and various libraries. The reason is—thesis writing.

The subject matter of the theses of these six men, who have taken advantage of the accelerated educational program at St. Joseph's, reaches into the fields of chemistry, Latin, accounting, and social science.

The seniors and their topics are as follows: Gene Hoffmann, Louisville, Ky., "A Brief Study of Tyrosine and Thyroxine;" William Keggh, Toledo, Ohio, "Character Types in the First Book of Horace's Satires;" Joseph Edelen, Beards-town, Ky., "An Accounting System for a Lumber Concern;" Paul Birkmeier, Delphos, O., "The Study of Student Aims and Organization for St. Joseph's College;" Donald Westhoven, Liberty Center, O., "Anatomical and Histological Studies of the Sixty-Hour Chick Embryo;" and Jerome Kosinski, East Chicago, Ind., "Relative Reactivities of the Organometallic Compounds of Copper, Silver, and Gold."

Christmas Spirit Takes Over

Pressure from the inter-semester exams is off . . . Visions of the coming vacation from books and studies are in the forefront . . . Thoughts of home and Christmas shopping and holiday parties are first in mind . . . All are combining to create a perennial Christmas spirit of friendliness and good-fellowship on the campus.

Soon the spirit will be increased; for Christmas carols again this year will echo over the campus nightly from Father John Baechle's room in Science Hall. Hymns frequently played are "Silent Night," "O Little Town of Bethlehem," and "Adeste Fidelis."

According to the catalogue classes will be called at noon, Saturday, December 18, and will be resumed January 3. The cut system will be in effect.

Students of the college took their second intra-semester examinations this past week. The grades were supposed to be handed into the Registrar's Office by December 12. From there they will be sent to the students' homes.

Faculty Members Attend Ordination At Carthage, O.

Into the Society of the Precious Blood, on December 5, at St. Charles Seminary, Carthage, O., fifteen young men were ordained. All attended St. Joseph's for their pre-philosophy studies.

In attendance at the ordination exercises were the Revs. Edward Maziarz, Carl Nieset, Henry Martin, Lionel Pire, Joseph Otte, and Raphael Gross. All but Father Otte participated in first Mass ceremonies of several of the new priests.

To McKeesport, Pa., went Fathers Maziarz and Nieset, to assist at the first Mass of the Rev. George Fey, C.P.P.S.; Father Maziarz preached the sermon.

Father Martin preached at the first Mass of the Rev. Edward Homco, C.P.P.S., at Whiting, Ind.; Father Pire, for the Rev. Joseph Scheuer, at Detroit, Mich.; and Father Gross was deacon at the first Mass of the Rev. Otto Diller, C.P.P.S., Coldwater, O.

The new priests, because of the accelerated program at Carthage, were ordained a semester early; they are as follows:

The Rev. Edmund Ryan, C.P.P.S.; the Rev. Lawrence Heiman, C.P.P.S.; the Rev. Edward Homco, C.P.P.S.; the Rev. Edward Sweetman, C.P.P.S.; the Rev. Norman Schmuck, C.P.P.S.; the Rev. George Fey, C.P.P.S.; the Rev. Charles Rueve, C.P.P.S.; the Rev. Peter Brickner, C.P.P.S.; the Rev. John Bannon, C.P.P.S.; the Rev. Otto Diller, C.P.P.S.; the Rev. James Birkley, C.P.P.S.; the Rev. Gregory Moorman, C.P.P.S.; the Rev. James Hinton, C.P.P.S.; the Rev. Joseph Scheuer, C.P.P.S.; and the Rev. Ernest Lucas, C.P.P.S.

CONDOLENCE

In the name of faculty and students of St. Joseph's, STUFF extends sympathy to U. S. Army Chaplain Bernard Scharf, C.P.P.S., and Richard Scharf, coach at St. Joseph's, upon the death of their mother.

Believe it or not, on December 5, the sound of bouncing croquet balls was heard in the neighboring vicinity of the powerhouse court.

Bird Banding, Topic Of Rev. J. Baechle In Science Seminar

Inaugurating a series of lectures by faculty members in the Science Department for the benefit of the other professors on the campus, especially in the field of science, the Rev. John Baechle, C.P.P.S., biology professor, on December 1, presented a descriptive talk on "Bird Banding."

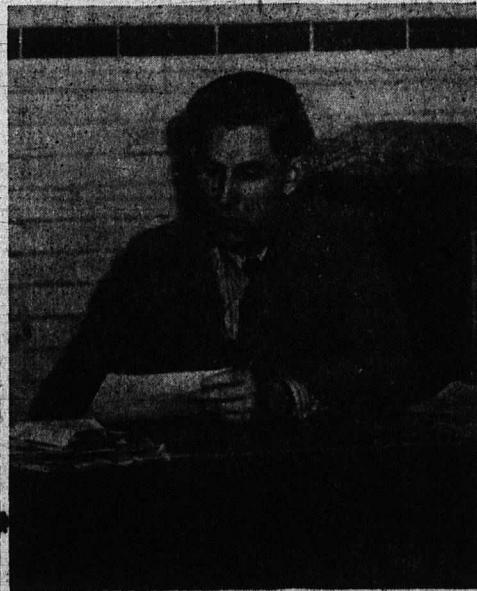
The Science Seminar, which has for its purpose the promotion of a better understanding and interrelation of the different branches of science, on December 15, will hear the Rev. Marcellus Dreiling, C.P.P.S., mathematics instructor.

Father Baechle, using illustrations, maps, bird specimens, and books, interestingly pointed out the why and how of bird banding. He also discussed the results obtained during the past few years at St. Joseph's, pointing out the number and species of birds banded here, their recoveries throughout the country, and interesting facts about them.

Richard Schreiber Leads Publications Out Of Chicago U.

As if carrying courses toward a Master of Arts Degree at Chicago University is not enough to keep any one man occupied, G. Richard Schreiber, former editor of STUFF who graduated from St. Joseph's at the end of the past summer session, now has assumed the task of Advisor to Publications at Chicago U.

The new job, which is another step in Dick's climb to fame as a journalist, will include the super-



vision of newspaper (perhaps a daily), a weekly bulletin, a monthly magazine, a quarterly magazine, and two yearly books.

While at St. Joseph's, Dick edited STUFF for two years, was assistant editor one year, served on the staff of Measure, the college literary journal, and was active in the Sanguinist Club for Catholic Action, the Poetry Society, and the Raleigh Smoking Club.

Fathers Lucks, Kern At Registrar Meeting

Representing St. Joseph's at the annual meeting of the Indiana Association of College Registrars, December 1, at DePauw University, were the Rev. Henry Lucks, C.P.P.S., Dean of Studies, and the Rev. Cletus Kern, C.P.P.S., Registrar.

"College Credit for War Training and Service" was the principle topic of discussion at the meet, which brought together Registrars and Deans from all the colleges of Indiana.

Christmas Music To Feature College Band Concert Dec. 16

Measure Will Come Out This Semester—Father Speckbaugh

Measure, the college literary journal, will come out this semester, announced the Rev. Paul Speckbaugh, C.P.P.S., despite the shortage of possible contributors.

Since John Goetz, who was chosen editor at the close of last semester, is now in the army, there will be no editor-in-chief for this edition, only associate editors. As yet, they have not been picked.

Containing articles on Catholic literature, science, and philosophy, with book reviews and an editorial, the edition promises to be very interesting.

In the field of Catholic literature, Richard Kissner is writing on the effects of Cardinal Newman's conversion upon his friends, and William Schenk on G. K. Chesterton. Alton Backs is preparing an article on blood plasma, while Nick Arioli will deal with the value of philosophy courses in a college curriculum.

December 10 was the deadline for all copy to be in.

Hanley Award

Do You Want Fifty Dollars

Fifty dollars is a lot of money. It almost will buy three of those presents with a future. In fact, fifty dollars will take care of a lot of things.

But why sit back and dream about what could be done with fifty dollars? Why not do something about it? What to do? Here's the answer:

The Hanley Science contest is just around the corner. The deadline set for the essays, which must be prepared on some topic in the scientific field, is January 4. They must be ready for oral presentation by January 15.

Sure, exams are on hand now, and after Christmas semester exams will be here. But what about the Christmas vacation? A few hours of free time spent during vacation could be well worth their while. Your chances for first prize will be exceptionally good this year too. First, the contest is open only for juniors, seniors, or anyone who will be a junior the second semester, and secondly, there aren't nearly as many students in the college this year to offer competition.

Students To Enjoy Attractive Program

To create Christmas spirit on the campus as well as instill a love for a higher type of music, the College Band members, under the baton of professor Paul Tonner, B.M., have been intensely directing their efforts—partly during free time, too—in preparation for the first band concert of the year, which will be presented in the College Theatre on Thursday night, December 16.

Though the program has been divided into three distinct sections—semi-classical, patriotic, and the Christmas music—the emphasis, in keeping with the season, will be on Christmas numbers.

"White Christmas," the popular Christmas song, with a vocal solo, will be played. The climax of this part of the program will be reached when the band with chorus join to present a new, special arrangement of "Silent Night." In connection with this number a silhouette scene of the first Christmas at Bethlehem will be shown behind the band.

Other Christmas numbers will be "Santa Claus Is Coming To Town," "Jingle Bells," the beautiful Austrian folk song, "Shepherd's Christmas Song," and "Little Town Of Bethlehem."

Solos will not be lacking either. Professor Paul Tonner will play his own composition, "Paramount Polka," on the cornet. Stephan Barry will play a clarinet solo, "Long, Long Ago."

"Ciribiribin," "Dream Town," and the "Trojan Prince" and "Sky Pilot" overtures will feature the semi-classical music; the "Air Corps March," "American Patrol," and perhaps several other new marches recently off the press will be included among the patriotic numbers.

Al Prosser Addresses Albertus Magnus Club

"Types and Uses of Synthetic Rubber" was the title of a talk given before the members of the Albertus Magnus Society at the regular meeting, December 3, by junior Al Prosser, East St. Louis, Ill. It was announced at the meeting that the Rev. John Baechle, C.P.P.S., Biology instructor, will speak at the next meeting, December 17.

A form letter, to be sent to all past members now in the service concerning club keys, was drawn up by the members.



This is one of the dramatic scenes of the recent Curtain Club presentation of Sidney Howard's 'Yellow Jack.' The play was staged in the College Theatre Nov. 30. Ambrose Ruschau, as Major Walter Reed, played the lead. (Review on page 4.)

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POLICY

- (1) To constantly urge prayer and work in the hope of a lasting, early World Peace.
- (2) To make every effort to keep campus reading and campus speech clean.
- (3) To promote frequent attendance at Mass, the Sacraments, and evening Benediction.

"There is no room." These are the words that greeted the ears of the Blessed Virgin Mary and Saint Joseph when they inquired at the inns of Bethlehem for a place to stay on the first Christmas nearly two thousand years ago.

Today, the same words, "there is no room," succinctly tell the story of religious indifference in the world.

Then, the inn keepers were too busy with their Caesar, their taxes and their money to find room. The world today is too busy with its materialism, its politics, its monetary aims and its pleasures to find room. There is no room for Christ.

The indifference to Christ is only a step from hatred of Christ. Ignoring Him is only a step from rejecting Him. If we tell Christ there is no room today, tomorrow we will tell Him we do not want Him. Today we will tolerate Him. Tomorrow we will persecute Him.

Perhaps this seems to be a harsh analogy. Yet its very harshness is a warning. And as a warning, it outlines what our spirit should be this Christmas day.

Let Christ, then, this Christmas be born again in our humble hearts as He was born in a humble stable. Let us find room for Him.

Let Him, the Prince of Peace, bring peace to our troubled minds as He brought peace to a troubled world two thousand years ago. For if every man is at peace with his own mind and with his own heart, all nations will be at peace with one another.

Have you been writing frequently to the alumni in the armed services? If not, why not? Can you offer one valid reason why you should not be writing to them just as often as possible? By the very fact that we are privileged to be able to continue our education at St. Joseph's while so many of our own classmates, not only have been denied the opportunity of attending St. Joseph's, but also are risking their lives for us, we owe to them in conscience every bit of encouragement we can give.

What better means is there to give our boys a lift when things are not going smoothly, when the thoughts of their indefinite future are haunting them, and when the loneliness of being so far from their loved ones makes them feel blue, than a letter from a friend?

Tell them about St. Joe, about the students, the classes, the professors, the activities, and the changes. They love it, and will be better men for it. It will make you feel better, too. Try it.

Why was there only a handful of college students in attendance at the Curtain Club production November 30? Were we so busy that we could not spend several hours for fine, original entertainment, or were we indifferent or disinterested?

Many times this year we have heard complaints about the lack of social activity and

Books Are Weapons

To regard the living world about one with an attitude of open-eyed inquiry is to live most fully. Many pursue the science of living things as a stepping stone to a profession. Others follow this study merely as a hobby. "We live in the most wonderful of lands; and one of the most wonderful things in it is that we... find so little in it to wonder at."

Fascination, curiosity, search for the truth—there are many motives for wide-awake interest in Nature's wonders. Our Living World (Fenton) and The Green Earth (Rickett) prove absorbing reading; Man's Upknown Ancestors (Murray) excels among the recent works on man's mysterious forerunners. Edwin Teale's books, Dune Boy, The Golden Throng; and Near Horizons, may fill many an idle moment. For any reader interested in the winged biped, there are "flocks" of books: Bird Portraits in Color (Sadler), Birds of America (Audubon), Birds of America (Pearson; ed.), Wild Birds at Home (Herrick), and many others. Raymond L. Ditmars offers first hand acquaintance with "things crawly" in his three books, Snakes of the World, Reptiles of the World, and Making of a Scientist. The Manual of Trees of North America (Sargent) and Wild Flowers (House) provide "leafy" reading. An excellent source for the answer to questions in physical phenomena is the Smithsonian Scientific Series.

These books, like all books, are a symbol of the liberty and freedom for which we fight.

Selected Editorial

Man is a fighting animal—a competitive animal. In primitive times, strength, speed and skill were necessary to preserve life—and they are equally necessary in today's warring world. Our track and field games—the races, the jumps, the discus throw, the javelin throw, the shot-put—come down to us from the mists of history as necessities for the stern business of war. The Greeks regarded sports as indispensable in building sound and healthy bodies. The Romans came to regard them as spectacles for entertainment, and when Rome became a "bleacher nation," the Roman Empire fell.

In peace times Hitler drove all young Germans to athletic competition in preparation for the war to come.

In America, an estimated 5% of our boys engage in athletic competition. Draw your own moral.

What is physical fitness? Let's take for a definition this statement made by Colonel Theodore P. Bank, Chief Athletical and Recreational Branch of the U. S. Army: "In the army we figure on physical fitness as freedom from disease; enough strength to do easily the heaviest tasks a soldier has to face; enough muscular endurance to be able to persist without undue fatigue through the most strenuous day; enough cardio-respiratory (heart and lung) endurance to perform easily any long-continued exertion that a soldier is called on to do; enough speed, agility and flexibility to be able to handle himself effectively in tactical operations."

—Physical Fitness Bulletin.

Campus Capers

Even Father Otto would not stand a chance against Big Joe Bauman when it comes to making a sound investment in a hot monopoly game (which is liable to be going on in Skrabacz's room at any hour). When Big Joe leans back with a cigarette in one hand and a handful of bills in the other and bids for a hotel, or Main street, all the pills in Dwenger Hall wouldn't stop him—unless it would be "Bugs Bunny" Foley. "Don, Don, The Leavittory Man" sang to all the students during their recent physical exams. Don was right-hand man in the Health Service during the examinations. Pete Heimes needed him, however, for Pete had piles of work to look after. Some people may complain about gremlins, but Gene Hoffmann has his trouble with Chemlins... Then there is Our Boy, who is praying he won't get four F's on his report this time, 'cause then the Army wouldn't take him... Others are hoping they don't get one A, too... De Witt, Farrell, and a few others of our up and coming frosh were really whooping it up in front of those squaw cheer leaders of the De Motte Indiana... John Walker is already worrying about his victory garden. Hell's Far, John, 'taint even winter yet... Famous last words: At least, that's what they tell me... That's your problem, you do it... Elementary... By the way, Joe Bauman is looking for about thirty feet of tubing. He has a lot of inserting to do, he claims.

entertainment. Yet, when a group works hard, as the Curtain Club did to stage this play, to present some solid, educational entertainment for the students' benefit, only a few show up. What is the explanation, if there is one?

If this were a normal year, the college would be in the midst of a basketball season, and very few students would be missing home games. This would be fine, and as it should be. But, why haven't we the time for a play? Think it over, fellows.

WITH OUR ALUMNI

George Ellspermann and Johnny Dunn were down from Notre Dame for a visit recently. Evidently, the Navy hasn't hurt their eyes for shooting pool, for they teamed up against a pair from St. Joe and did what Great Lakes did to Notre Dame.

A censored letter with an A.P.O. address reached us from Johnny Feicht. John is "somewhere along the West Coast." He bumped into Al Waznis at a Soldiers' Post at Ft. Ord, Calif., before he was shipped.

Bob (Dutch) Vernon, U. S. Marine from Chicago, who was a tough boy on the 1941 freshman football team, recently was married at Chicago. Bill (Bull) Dawson, of the same class, is somewhere in England.

All Collegeville welcomed Lieut. Ed Fischer, publicity director at St. Joe and Contact editor until his enlistment in the Army in the fall of 1942, when he visited the campus frequently during a recent leave. Ed's wife lives in Rensselaer. While here, he gave several interesting talks on Army life to both college and academy students.

Mike Sokol and Don Schrenk both are at Purdue. Willy Kerr, before going to Notre Dame, was on the ship that engaged in the longest battle of the war. He is glad to be back on dry land.

Thanks to Jim Heckel, we were able to pick up some interesting information about several recent alumni. Jim heard our plea to you fellows to write, and obliged us. Please, fellows, write to us. Jim was inducted into the Navy, June 15, and sent to Great Lakes, where he completed his boot training. He

writes, "I was due for Aerography School, Lakehurst, N. J., but fate had something else in store for me. It seems my right ear began to act up and I was sent to the Naval Hospital, where I was destined to 'exist' for twelve weeks. All in all, everything added up to my being discharged from the Navy on November 16." Jim supplied us with the whereabouts of Bob Morrison, now at Fort Ord, Calif.; Jim McGrath, in the Medical Corps at Faragut, Idaho; Norbert Grotenrath, George Weilmuenster, Bob Stadtmiller, and little John Murphy, all at Great Lakes.

At the United States Naval Training Station, Bainbridge, Md., is quite a delegation from St. Joe. Included in the group, which is studying general store keeping, are Bob Kelly, Jim Beane, Louis Yugo-vich, Chuck Lewandowski, and Le-Roy Hunefeld.

Jiggs Huysman and Conny Vandenkerk, a Lieutenant in the Marines, had a little reunion up in Washington, D. C., recently.

Richard Haffner, after being laid up in the hospital for two months, is back on active duty for the Navy. Dick has been in the service for eighteen months and is now serving in the capacity of a specialist on shore duty.

Bob Stadtmiller spent the weekend of the 4th on the campus. Bob is stationed at Great Lakes. Fred Berghoff, Puma manager at St. Joe during 1941-'42, 1942-'43, was inducted into the army November 29, at Fort Thomas, Ky., where he is stationed at the present. If Fritz manages in the army as he did here, the army got a good man.

Following The Flickers

By JOE WOLFORD

Ritz: December 26, 27, and 28
Guadalcanal Diary comes to the local theatres as another typical war picture with the Marines inevitably winning out. It is a picture in which Preston Foster is portrayed as a chaplain, Lloyd Nolan as a tough Marine sergeant, with a cast of fighting men. The unpredictable Bill Bendix supplies plenty of laughter and clean fun. Legion Rating—A.

Ritz: January 2, 3, and 4

Olsen and Johnson return to the screen as those two inimitable bores that thrilled Broadway with Hellzapoppin' and Crazy House. They present the Broadway farce, Crazy House, that thrilled so many. The picture affords plenty of music and

guffaws for the war-fed mind. Legion Rating—A.

Palace: December 19, 20, and 21
A new star in the person of Julia Bishop will be seen in the picture, Northern Pursuit. Errol Flynn, Gene Lockhart and others assist in this story of the Canadian Royal Police. Legion Rating—A.

Palace: December 26, 27, and 28
Mary Martin, the Venus of Broadway, will be presented to the gaze of the rabble in her latest picture, True To Life. Co-starred are Franchot Tone and Dick Powell. Powell and Martin collaborate for some very pretty songs. Legion Rating—A.

COLLEGE DAZE



Yeah! Happy New Year

Select I-M Net Teams

Academy Defeat Fair Oaks; Lose To Francisville

Giving a good demonstration of their improvement, the academy Cubs, Friday night, December 10, lost, 25-12, to the highly-touted Francisville quintet at Francisville.

Summary									
St. Joe	B	F	T		Franville	B	F	T	
Dobe	2	1	5		Gudeman	0	0	0	
Hermann	0	0	0		Gerichs	5	1	11	
Sprester	1	0	2		Pike	1	0	2	
Fecher	0	0	0		Onker	2	2	6	
Eder	2	1	5		Westphal	0	0	0	
Nykos	0	0	0		Wendt	0	0	0	
Steffes	0	0	0		Overmeyer	1	0	2	
Clemens	0	0	0		K. W'phal	0	0	0	
					Fensterm.	1	2	4	
					Weaver	0	0	0	

Totals 5 2 12 Totals 10 5 25
"Everything comes to him who waits," the Academy Cub basketball fans are convinced. Dick Scharf's Cubs won their first basketball game of the season Saturday night, December 4, in a thrill-packed contest against Fair Oaks, 16-15. This game, played at St. Joe, was the fourth of the season.

A good indication that perhaps the tide finally has turned was given by the play of Howard Sprester, making his second appearance of the season, who was high-point man with nine points. Harrington was high for Fair Oaks.

Summary									
St. Joe	B	F	T		Fair O.	B	F	T	
H. Sprester	4	1	9		J. Kosta	1	0	2	
Dobe	1	1	3		Meyer	2	0	4	
Hermann	0	0	0		Valhos	1	0	2	
Eder	0	0	0		Haringt'n	2	1	5	
Theime	0	0	0		Kelliver	1	0	2	
Clemens	1	2	4		McKay	0	0	0	

Totals 6 4 16 Totals 7 1 15
The Academy Cubs experienced another defeat November 23 at the hands of the De Motte Indians, 28-11. Howard Sprester, varsity starter last year, made his first appearance. The B team also lost, 12-10.

Academy I-M

The first round of the academy intramural basketball league has been completed. Six games of the second round have been played. The results up to date are as follows:

Round 1									
	W	L	Tied	TP		W	L	Tied	TP
Lenzen	3	1	0	129					
Demere	2	1	1	138					
Nolan	2	1	1	103					
Hartlage	2	2	0	107					
Imhoff	0	4	0	90					
Round 2									
	W	L	Tied	TP		W	L	Tied	TP
Lenzen	2	1	0	82					
Demere	2	0	0	70					
Nolan	1	1	0	54					
Hartlage	0	3	0	42					
Imhoff	1	1	0	42					

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Seifert, Xavier Halls Line Up Five Teams For College League

Intramural basketball in the College Department swings into full action this week. The Rev. Edward Roof, C.P.P.S., athletic director—meeting with the team captains last week—organized five teams, three from Seifert Hall, two from Xavier Hall.

An all-star team from each hall will be chosen soon to compete for possession of the rotating Hall basketball trophy. Meanwhile, all the members of the intramural-league winning team will be presented with gold-plated basketballs, inscribed with the I-M insignia, at the end of the season.

Members of the teams are as follows: Captain Stan Wisniewski, Callahan, Stechschulte, Moran, Pukelis, Krol, Farrell; Captain Jack Welsh, Ulman, Glassmeyer, Cleary, Skrabacz, Rasak; Captain Ken De Witt, Damon, Prosser, Giese, Poage, Foley; Captain Richard Kissner, Brungardt, Chrosniak, Hinders, Kalmanek, Hoving, Nagel; Captain Ambrose Ruschau, Shields, Hunnefeld, Whaley, Girt, Glein, McNicholas.

Father E. Roof Attends Inter-Collegiate Meet

The Rev. Edward Roof, C.P.P.S., athletic director, on December 11, attended a meeting at the Claypool Hotel, Indianapolis, Ind., of the Indiana Inter-Collegiate Conference. The meeting, at which all Indiana colleges with athletic programs are represented, brings together the athletic directors of the colleges.

Problems confronting the group during war time were discussed. Included in these was the prospect for Little-State track, tennis, and golf meets this year.

William Gladen, Ensign

Catcher for the Pumas for three years, William Gladen, who graduated from St. Joseph's in 1943 with an A.B. degree in accounting, was commissioned an ensign in the U. S. Naval Reserve, upon graduation on November 20 from the Naval Air Training Center, Corpus Christi, Tex.

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Seifert Hall Edges Xavierites In Close Net Battle, 26-23

Aggressive Seifert Hall edged out a fast Xavier Hall quintet, December 4, in the preliminary Cub-Fair Oaks game, 26-23.

Summary									
Seifert	B	F	T		Xavier	B	F	T	
Ulman	4	0	8		Ruschau	4	0	8	
Wisniew.	1	0	2		Kalmanek	0	0	0	
St'ekschul	0	0	0		Shields	0	0	0	
Damon	0	0	0		Kissner	3	0	6	
Welsh	5	0	10		Hunnefeld	2	0	4	
De Witt	2	0	4		Whaley	0	0	0	
Cleary	1	0	2		Chrosniak	1	0	2	
Moran	0	0	0		Brungart	0	1	1	
					Hinders	1	0	2	

Totals 13 0 26 Totals 11 1 23

I-M League Presents Five Balanced Teams

This week the College I-M league begins. The five basketball teams entered are evenly balanced, thus a tight, thrill-packed race should result.

Captain Jack Welsh, a veteran of the best in intramural play last year, and also a lad with quite a high school record behind him in basketball, should have a tall, smooth working outfit, especially with the presence of that point-getting Jim Ulman constantly in his lineup. Durable Jerry Cleary will be a bug bear to get around also.

Captain Curly Wisniewski, veteran of the Puma quintet for the past three years, will have perhaps the most rugged team in the league with the presence of such men in his lineup as Callahan, Farrell and Pukelis.

Ken De Witt, the other league captain, comes here with quite a record established at Memorial of Evansville. He has been showing it, too, thus far this year. This outfit will have not only fairly much height, but also may turn out to be the fastest in the league with such men as Poage, Prosser and Damon.

Xavier Hall has two teams entered in the league, and may provide the darkhorse of the season. With such men as Ruschau, Hinders, Shields, Whaley, Brungardt, and Kissner—all men of experience and endurance—these two teams bear watching.

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News Briefs

How small is Willkie's One-World? Recently two St. Joe men tried to get a rough idea. Seniors Paul Birkmeier and Don Westhoven made reservations to fly from Chicago to Toledo en route home for Thanksgiving.

They left Collegeville, Tuesday, November 23, for Chicago and on the following day boarded a United Air Lines' plane for Toledo. The journey, which is 233 miles by rail and which takes at least four hours, took them only seventy minutes. Maybe the Chicago Tribune could use their observations.

William Gaynor, Jim Dobe and William Sprester, at a meeting of the Newman Club, December 3, were elected to an executive committee for the purpose of conducting private entertainment at the regular meetings of the club. Charles Teaney, president, and the Rev. Paul Speckbaugh, C.P.P.S., moderator, directed the meeting. Mark Forsthoefel was elected marshal and head usher.

To continue discussing the possibilities for some form of a production this semester, the Columbian Literary Society met with the Rev. Paul F. Speckbaugh, C.P.P.S., moderator, in Science Hall, December 6. President William Gray presided over the meeting.

A suggestion that the members attempt some sketches, taken from famous plays on the Tudor age, was put before the members. At present a list is being made of all interested in this type of dramatic activity.

Because of an extremely small membership in the Society this year, the C.L.S. has been faced with many difficulties in connection with a production. However, all attempts are being made to present some form of a production for the first semester.

The members of the Raleigh Smoking Club attended Sunday High Mass and received Holy Communion in a body, December 5, for all past members of the club now in

the armed services. The precedent will be followed on the first Sunday of each month.

Marked by a Solemn High Mass in the morning and exposition of the Blessed Sacrament until 1:00 p. m., the college observed the feast of the Immaculate Conception, December 8, as a day set aside for prayer for Peace.

Students of both the academy and the college attended prayer hours during the exposition. The Very Rev. Aloys H. Dirksen, C.P.P.S., president of the college, assisted by the Rev. Paul Speckbaugh, C.P.P.S., and the Rev. Clarence Schuerman, C.P.P.S., was celebrant of the High Mass. He also delivered the sermon.

Soliloquies presented by James Grothjan and Leroy Klein featured a recent meeting—the second of the year—of the Curtain Club. A radio play, under the direction of Erwin Stegman, is being planned for the next meeting.

The next meeting, at which a critical review of the recent Curtain Club production, Yellow Jack, will be held in the College Theatre, today, December 12.

By a score of 27-19, the varsity team of the academy, on December 8, beat a high-school team from Xavier Hall. On the same afternoon the academy Cub B team punched out a 21-14 victory over the seniors of the academy intramural league. The games were played in the field-house.

George (Curly) Deininger '43 graduate, has been assigned to Midshipman's School at Columbia University.

Vasco Luchi, junior '43, after finishing basic training at the University of Missouri, has been assigned to Midshipman's School in Norfolk, Va., for officer training.

James Bogan, '43 graduate, is at Columbia University as a Midshipman for officer training.

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Students Witness Originality In Curtain Club Presentation

As Brooks Atkinson, New York critic, called the New York presentation of Sidney Howard's *Yellow Jack* one of the most original and remarkable dramas staged in the contemporary American theatre, so we must call the Curtain Club presentation, under the direction of the Rev. Paul Speckbaugh, C.P.P.S., in the College Theatre, November 30, one of the most original and remarkable dramas we have had at St. Joseph's.

The historical play, which deals with man's struggle against and final victory over the dread yellow fever, was just that—original and remarkable.

Produced on a stage similar to the Elizabethan platform, the setting certainly was original; for never before has a major production been staged in the College Theatre without the conventional scenery. Though the stage was divided into four acting areas, the changes of locale would not have had their effectiveness without the cleverly done lighting variations.

However, the effective technical originality—as well done as it was—did not overshadow the fine, varied characterizations of the large male cast, which not only was an achievement in itself, but which made the production remarkable.

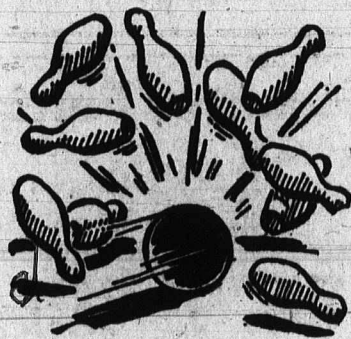
It is hard to determine who should get the bouquet for acting; rather, a flower should be given to each. Nonetheless, several, who carried long parts, should be given special mention.

Ambrose Ruschau portrayed well the gentle, sincere, determined Major Walter Reed. He seemed to portray better than the others the dignity and reserve expected of a high-ranking army officer. Joseph Condich, as the imaginative, bundle of nerves, Doctor Lazear; John Murar, as the keen-minded Major Gorgas; Edward Mattingly, the skeptical, yet sincere, Captain Carroll; and John Tullio, the devoted Agramonte, will not be forgotten, either.

The seriousness of the play, which tended to drag it on, was held in restraint somewhat by the characterizations of the four American doughboys, who reflected the spirit of the American army—the cocky Irishman, O'Hara, was played by Bernard Royle; the Chicago lad of Jewish enthusiasms, by Richard Chrosniak; McClelland, by Dominic Gerlach; and Brinkerhof, by Alvin Herber.

Music before the play was provided by the College Orchestra, under the direction of Prof. Paul Tonner, B.Mu., which played the "Star Spangled Banner" and the "Blue Danube Waltz."

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Academy Averages

Second inter-semester tests have disclosed several ties for high-ranking places on the honor roll. The names of those who distinguished themselves follow:

Seniors—

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John Bosch 1st
James Bender 2nd
Bernard Whaley 2nd
Marcellus Oser 3rd

Stach Hall

Stephen Barry 1st
James Dobe 2nd
Robert Gaynor 3rd
Aubrey Serewicz 3rd

Juniors—

Louis Schneider 1st
Mark Forsthoefel 2nd
Gordon Ash 3rd

Sophomores—

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Pick Advisors For Academy Year Book

Business manager and faculty advisor for the academy year book, *Twin Towers*, will be the Rev. Henry Martin, C.P.P.S., and the Rev. Cletus Kern, C.P.P.S., respectively, it recently was announced.

To make the edition better than its predecessors, editor Jim Dobe and his staff have a few ideas up their sleeves. Among these are a design for a new cover, more informal pictures, and perhaps individual pictures of the students.

Although the minimum cost of each copy will be about \$4.50, the selling price still will remain at \$2.00. To defray the expenses more advertisements will be sought. Patrons this year will receive a copy of the year book.

During the past few weeks the remainder of the staff was chosen. Charles Teaney, assisted by Earl Redden, will handle sports; Steve Barry, assisted by Robert Eder, is in charge of club news; and Frank Clark will cover local news.

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Rev. Pire Conducts Three-Day Retreat For Academy Boys

Including topics on mortal sin and the virtue of purity, the annual three day retreat of the Academy came to a close with a Solemn High Mass, December 8, the feast of the Immaculate Conception. The Rev. Lionel Pire, C.P.P.S., was retreat-master.

During the course of the retreat, through which silence was strictly

observed, pamphlets on different religious topics were distributed.

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Wed., Thurs., Dec. 15-16

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Selected Shorts

Fri., Sat., Dec. 17-18

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Selected Shorts

Sun., Mon., Tues., Dec. 19-21

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with Monty Wooley and Gracie Fields
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